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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Submission for OMB Review

AGENCY: Department of Education

ACTION: Comment Request

SUMMARY: The Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Privacy, Information and Records Management Services, Office of Management, invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13).

FR Publication Date -May 9, 2011

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before [insert the 30th day after publication of this notice].

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Education Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., Room 10222, New Executive Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20503, be faxed to (202) 395-5806 or emailed to <a href="mailto:oira\_submission@omb.eop.gov">oira\_submission@omb.eop.gov</a> with a cc: to <a href="mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov">ICDocketMgr@ed.gov</a>. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. The OMB is particularly interested in comments which: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Dated:

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Privacy, Information and Records Management Services

Office of Management

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Institute of Education Sciences

Type of Review: Revision

Title of Collection: US Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences Research Performance

Progress Report

OMB Control Number: 1850-0881

Agency Form Number(s): N/A

Frequency of Responses: Annually

Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal Government, State Educational Agencies or Local Education

Agencies

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 766

Total Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 12,256

Abstract: The Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR) format and instructions are used in order for Institute of Education Sciences' grantees to meet the established due dates for submission of performance reports for IES discretionary grant programs. Recipients of multi-year discretionary grants must submit an annual performance report for each year funding has been approved in order to receive a continuation award. The annual performance report should demonstrate whether substantial progress has been made toward meeting the approved goals and objectives of the project. The Institute also requires recipients of "forward funded" grants that are awarded funds for their entire multi-year project up-front in a single grant award to submit the RPPR on an annual basis. In addition, the Institute will require recipients to use the ED 524B to submit their final performance reports to demonstrate project success, impact and outcomes. In both the annual and final performance reports, grantees are required to provide data on established performance measures for the grant program (e.g., Government Performance and Results Act measures) and on project performance measures that were included in the grantee's approved grant application. The RPPR will contain research and related (total federal and non-federal) budgetary forms that will be used to collect budgetary data from the recipient organization. The information submitted will be used to conduct periodic administrative/budgetary reviews. Performance reporting requirements are found in 34 CFR 74.51, 75.118, 75.253, 75.590 and 80.40 of the Education Department General Administrative Regulations.

Copies of the information collection submission for OMB review may be accessed from the RegInfo.gov Web site at <a href="http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain">http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain</a> or from the Department's website at <a href="http://edicsweb.ed.gov">http://edicsweb.ed.gov</a>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 4514. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, LBJ, Washington, D.C. 20202-4537. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the Internet address

ICDocketMgr@ed.gov or faxed to 202-401-0920. Please specify the complete title of the information collection and OMB Control Number when making your request.

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